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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of Suburban Water Systems (U 339 W) for authority to increase rates: In 2003 \$9,919,002, or 27.2% above the revenues generated by present rates, in 2004 \$1,447,692 or 3.1% above the revenue generated by the rates proposed for 2003, in 2005 \$1,597,008 or 3.3% above the 2004 revenue requirements.

Application 02-05-033
(Filed May 13, 2002)

**OPINION GRANTING PETITIONS
FOR MODIFICATION OF DECISION 03-05-078**

Pursuant to Rule 47 of the Rules of Practice and Procedure, Suburban Water Systems (Suburban) has filed two petitions for modification of Decision (D.) 03-05-078 to make minor clarifications and corrections. The Office of Ratepayer Advocates (ORA) has examined the petitions and has no objection to the requested changes. In addition, ORA requests deletion of a duplicative page that was included in error in the attachments to the decision.

The requested modifications and corrections include the following:

1. Add an additional ordering paragraph to permit Suburban to file for recovery of pre-2002 Department of Health Service fees, as authorized in the text of D.03-05-078, at 5-6.
2. Correct the 4-inch meter service charge for Suburban's San Jose Hills District as set forth in Appendix C of D.03-05-078.
3. Correct the labels on the third columns on pages 9, 10 and 11 of Appendix D of D.03-05-078.

4. Delete the duplicative first page of the attachments entitled "Appendix A Summary of Earnings Test Year 2003."

Comments on Draft Decision

The petitions for modifications are uncontested, and this decision grants the requested relief. Consequently, pursuant to Pub. Util. Code § 311(g)(2), we waive the 30-day period for public review and comment regarding the draft decision.

Assignment of Proceeding

Michael R. Peevey is the Assigned Commissioner and Glen Walker is the assigned Administrative Law Judge in this proceeding.

Findings of Fact

1. Suburban seeks a clarifying ordering paragraph and corrections in two appendices in D.03-05-078.
2. ORA has reviewed the requested changes and has no objection.
3. ORA requests deletion of a page included in error in the attachments.

Conclusion of Law

The petitions for modification and ORA's request for deletion of a page in the attachments should be granted, effective immediately.

O R D E R

IT IS ORDERED that:

1. The petitions for modification of Decision (D.) 03-05-078 filed on May 27, 2003, and June 5, 2003, by Suburban Water Systems (Suburban) are granted.
2. An additional ordering paragraph, designated as Ordering Paragraph 5(a) is added to D.03-05-078 as follows:

5(a) Suburban is authorized to file an advice letter seeking Commission authorization for a one-time surcharge to recover pre-2002 Department of Health Service fees. The amount of the surcharge shall be \$5.15 for each San Jose Hills District customer and \$2.45 for each Whittier/LaMirada District customer.

3. On page 1 of Appendix C of D.03-05-078, the rate of 5.398 for a 4-inch meter in 2005 is stricken and is replaced with the rate of 5.938.

4. On pages 9, 10 and 11 of Appendix D of D.03-05-078, the labels on the third columns are changed from "Test Year 2003" to "Test Year 2004" on each page.

5. The duplicative first page of the attachments entitled "Appendix A Summary of Earnings Test Year 2003" is deleted.

6. This proceeding is closed.

This order is effective today.

Dated _____, at San Francisco, California.